

RECALL NOTIFICATION REPORT
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

PRODUCTS RECALLED: Ground Beef Products

PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES: Produced on November 05, 2002 and November 06, 2002. The products subject to recall bear the establishment number "EST. 492" inside the USDA mark of inspection. The following products subject to recall have the sell by date, "11-22-02," or "11-23-02." The products subject to recall are 48 to 60 lb. boxes of:

- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 93/07, 02593."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 75/25, 02675."
- * "85/15, GROUND BEEF, 02685."
- * "Coarse Ground CHUCK, 02700."
- * "FINE GROUND BEEF, 75/25, 05100."
- * "FINE GROUND BEEF, 80/20, CHUCK, 05200."
- * "FINE GROUND BEEF, 86/14, ROUND, 05300."
- * "FINE GROUND BEEF, 93/07, 05400."
- * "FINE GROUND BEEF, 91/09, SIRLOIN, 05500."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 73-27, 12673."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 80-20, 12680."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 90-10, 12690."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 93-07, 12693."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 91-09, 22491."
- * "COARSE GROUND BEEF, 85-15 ROUND, 32505."
- * "GROUND BEEF CHUBS, 73/27, 61768."
- * 12 - 5 # packages of "GROUND BEEF CHUBS, 80439."

Each of the following products subject to recall have the sell by date, "11.15.02," or "11.16.02." The products subject to recall are 1-to-5 lb. trays of:

- * "Lancaster BRAND, Beef Ground Sirloin, Contains 10% Fat."
- * "Lancaster BRAND, Beef Ground Round, Contains 5% Fat."
- * "Lancaster BRAND, Beef Ground Chuck, Contains 15% Fat."
- * "GROUND CHUCK PATTIES, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 20% FAT."
- * "Ground Beef Chili Meat, CONTAINS 20% FAT."
- * "LEAN GROUND BEEF, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 8% FAT."
- * "GROUND ROUND, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 15% FAT."
- * "GROUND CHUCK, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 20% FAT."
- * "GROUND BEEF, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 27% FAT."
- * "GROUND BEEF ROUND PATTIES, 100% FAT, CONTAINS 15% FAT."
- * "EXTRA LEAN GROUND BEEF, 96/4."
- * "GROUND BEEF CHUCK, 20% FAT."
- * "GROUND BEEF ROUND, 15% FAT."
- * "GROUND BEEF, 100% BEEF, CONTAINS 25% FAT."

- * "FRESH GROUND BEEF, 10% FAT."
- * "FRESH GROUND BEEF, 15% FAT."
- * "GROUND BEEF SIRLOIN, 10% FAT."
- * "LEAN GROUND BEEF, 7% FAT."
- * "NEW, MEATLOAF & Meatball Mix, A blend of fresh ground beef, pork and veal."
- * "Lancaster BRAND, NEW, MEATLOAF & Meatball Mix, A blend of fresh ground beef, pork and veal."
- * "GROUND BEEF CHILI MEAT, 20% FAT."

PROBLEM/REASON FOR RECALL: The product may be contaminated with Escherichia coli O157:H7.

HOW/WHEN DISCOVERED: A microbiological traceback sample was collected by FSIS on November 18, 2002. It was reported positive for E. coli O157:H7 on November 22, 2002.

FEDERAL ESTABLISHMENT: 00492 M
Fairbank Reconstruction Corp.
Doing business as: Fairbank Farms

One Fairbank Road
Ashville, NY 14710

CONSUMER CONTACT: Luella Sard, Sales Representative, 716-782-2000, Ext. 201

MEDIA CONTACT: Daren Williams, Spokesperson, 816-512-2288

QUANTITY RECALLED: Approximately 320,000 pounds

DISTRIBUTION: Nationwide

RECALL CLASSIFICATION: Class I

RECALL NOTIFICATION LEVEL: Consumer

PRESS RELEASE: Yes

DIRECT NOTIFICATION MEANS: The firm has notified its customers orally and will follow-up in writing.

FSIS FOLLOWUP ACTIVITIES: Effectiveness checks by the FSIS, Field Operations.

OTHER AGENCIES INVOLVED: None

FSIS CONTACTS:
Compliance/Recall Coordinator: 202-418-8874
Recall Management: 202-690-6389

Media Inquiries: 202-720-9113

Congressional Inquiries: 202-720-3897

Consumer Inquiries: 1-800-535-4555

Web site: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/recalls/rec_intr.htm

DATE OF RECALL MEETING: November 22, 2002

RECALL CASE NUMBER: 107-2002